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#### **FOREWORD**

As usual we are presenting this year a list of Dahlias containing the cream of all the varieties grown in our trial garden.

The weatherman was rather unkind to us last Fall through a terrific wind storm causing great damage to Dahlia plants at the beginning of the blooming season. However, four varieties were outstanding with us throughout the season. They were Galli-Curci, Jane Cowl, Derrill W. Hart and Color Sergeant. Many others were good but those mentioned went steadily on regardless of anything.

The brief descriptions given in the following list are our impressions of the different varieties as they grew with us. We are always glad to render service to our customers and friends by supplying any available information we may possess regarding the comparative value of different varieties.

At the Philadelphia 1928 Show we were again awarded the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Gold Medal for the best selection of fifty varieties, this being our sixth consecutive winning of this prize.

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#### GENERAL INFORMATION

TUBERS AND PLANTS—We offer field-grown tubers and in the cases of some varieties, green plants in pots. We consider plants as satisfactory as tubers if planted promptly upon arrival and not allowed to become dry.

TIME OF SHIPMENT—Tubers, March 1st to June 1st; Plants, May 15th to June 15th, unless otherwise noted.

SUBSTITUTION—We do not substitute unless directed to do so.

TERMS—Cash before shipment. If full payment is enclosed with order a discount of 5% may be deducted from retail orders. All retail orders shipped prepaid.

WE GUARANTEE—All stock to be true to name and from strong, healthy, field-grown stock.

ORDER EARLY—To avoid disappointment as stock of some of the most desirable new varieties will not be sufficient to fill all orders.

ADDRESS PLAINLY—Please write name and full address plainly.

#### **CULTURAL NOTES**

Dahlias will grow to perfection in almost any soil provided proper care is given to the method of planting, fertilizing, cultivating and watering.

Put out tubers or plants from June 1st to July 1st. Those planted early will produce the largest tubers.

Prepare soil by spading or plowing 12 to 18 inches deep. Work into the soil well decomposed stable manure of vegetable matter, such as partly decomposed leaves, lawn trimmings, etc. Scatter ½ pound of Ground Bone about each hill at planting time and ½ pound per plant applied about August 1st. As a substitute for Bone, good potato fertilizer or sheep manure may be used to advantage.

Plants are usually set 3 by 4 feet. Strong growing varieties, if well fed, may need more room. Thorough and frequent cultivations during the first two months after planting, with moderate side dressings and very shallow cultivation and mulching the remainder of the season, is recommended. As a general practice water only during very dry weather, when it should be very thoroughly done. Little watering will be necessary if soil has been spaded deeply and contains a liberal amount of humus and is well mulched after August 1st.

To produce large blooms begin training plants when small by leaving from four to six of the strongest laterals as low down on the main stem as possible. Remove all side shoots and buds excepting the main or terminal bud on each of the laterals.

During the past season, Leaf Hoppers and Thrips were quite troublesome in some sections of the country, checking the growth and causing stunted plants. The best known remedy to prevent injury by these insects is spraying or dusting with nicotine solution or dust. In the case of Thrips, which are usually found in the terminal growths, the solution or dust should be applied from above, especially at the growing points; while for Leaf Hoppers, the application should be made to the lower side of the leaves. We had splendid control of Leaf Hoppers last season by treating them as follows: Soon after plants were put out in the field a thorough application of nicotine dust (not tobacco dust) was applied to the under side of the leaves and this operation repeated twice a week until plants were two or three feet in height. After this stage, although the Hoppers were present, the plants apparently were unaffected. Some varieties show the effects of this insect much more than others. Thin leafed varieties appear to be espcially susceptible. \*

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	TUBERS	PLANTS
ALICE WHITTIER (H. C.) (Reed) A very large deep bloom. Color clear sulphur yellow. Stem long, carrying bloom well above the foliage. Plant tall and unusually vigorous. A winners of many prizes.	\$3.00	
AMARILLO GRANDE (D) (Broomall) Blooms unusulaly large, light yellow with excellent centers. Stem ideal, growing strong. A very satisfactory yellow for exhibition or garden effect.	3.00	
AMBASSADOR (Cac) (Broomall) Golden yellow and salmon pink, very large with full center, strong grower, perfect stem. It has been a consistent winner with us wherever shown.	1.00	
AMULET (D) (Boston) Brown suffused with gold, flowers large with good centers, stem and growth good.	2.00	
AVALON (D) (Broomall) Light yellow, blooms very large and heavy. Growth strong.	.75	
AZTEC GLORY (D) (Broomall)  Color a bright attractive lemon yellow. Size very large carried on good stems, excellent form. Our exhibit of this variety at the New Jersey State Show at Atlantic City 1927 won the gold medal offered by the Dahlia Society of California.	7.50	3.75
AZURINA (D) (Broomall)  Dark lavender. Large well formed flowers on fine stems. Plant tall and vigorous.	2.50	
BARBARA REDFERN (D) (Redfern) Blooms large well formed with good centers. Stem strong, slightly bent. Plant tall and vigorous. Color gold overlaid with blends of copper and old rose.	4.00	
BARBARA WEAR (D) (Seal) A 1927 medal winner from California. Color soft pinkish lavender. Blooms large, of good form, carried on excellent stems.	7.50	3.75
BEAU IDEAL (D) (Boston)  Color pinkish lavender. Blooms large, well formed with good center. Growth and stem desirable.	5.00	
BRUNO (D) (Lyndora 1927) This was one of the most showy Dahlias in our garden the past season. The large vigorous plants were full of blooms from early until late. Color rose tinted red. Size 8 to 9 inches, and even when grown without disbudding produced large perfect blooms. Awarded Certificate of Merit at American Dahlia Society Trial Gardens, at Storrs, Conn.	1.50	

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CHAMPAGNE (D) (Boston) Burnished copper shaded chamois, very large stately flower, strong stem.	1.00	
CHARLOTTE LAFRENZ (D) (Seal) A large attractive new Dahlia. Color gold shading to apricot in outer petals. Form and center good. Growth and stems strong.	7.50	3.75
CHEMAR'S PURITY (D) (Chemar) Color white with greenish tint in center when opening. Size large, centers and stems good. Plant strong and vigorous.	7.50	3.75
CITY OF TRENTON (D) (Prentice, Fisher & Masson) Color light orange salmon with reddish reverse, Blooms large and well formed on good stems. Growth variable.	7.50	3.75
COL. CHAS. A. LINDBERGH (H. C.) (Fisher & Masson Blooms medium to large on very strong stems, Color rose with lavender tints. Plant growth vigorous.	) 7.50	3.75
COLOR SERGEANT (D) (Lyndora 1927)  A very striking Dahlia both in form and color. Much admired at the Camden, New Jersey, (State Show) where it won as best specimen bloom and again at Philadelphia, where it was awarded a Silver Medal as best seedling. Also awarded Certificate of Merit at the New Jersey State Trial Grounds where it scored 87. Color is a rich, deep salmon bronze of one shade. Clean up-right grower of excellent habits with perfect stems. We consider this one of the best all-around varieties we have grown for exhibition or cutting.	7.50	3.75
DERRILL W. HART (D) (Broomall-Success) Color capucine yellow shading to grenadine red. Blooms large, well formed, with good centers held erect on fine stems. Growth very strong. One of the best of the new Dahlias.		5.00
DORIS CANNEY (D) (Seal) A large well formed Dahlia of very pleasing color of golden apricot. Growth, stems and centers satisfactory.	5.00	2.50
EAGLE ROCK BEAUTY (D) (Broomall)  Large, well formed flowers on medium stems. Color pink and cream with amber suffusion. Plant of medium height, stem inclined to be soft if forced; growth variable.	5.00	
EAGLE ROCK GEM (C) (Broomall-Success) Color similar to Ambassador but with more pink at base of petals. Form and center unusually good. Size medium to large carried on fine stems.	15.00	5.00

EAGLE ROCK JEWEL (H. C.) (Broomall) Cream overlaid with shell pink. Large blooms on strong stems, growth satisfactory. Splendid variety for exhibition if well grown and heavily watered during blooming season.	TUBERS 10.00	PLANTS
EAGLE ROCK SUNSHINE (H. C.) (Broomall) A strong upright grower producing very large well formed blooms with good centers carried on perfect stems. Blooms late.	2.50	
EASTERN STAR (D) Maytrott) Saffron yellow with old gold shadings, medium to large, growth strong.	2.00	
EDNA FERBER (H. C.) (F. & M.) Size very large with medium to good stems. Color coral shading to old gold at base of petals. Petals long and wavy. Strong grower of medium height. Highly recommended.	5.00	2.50
ELEANOR VANDERVEER (D) (Seal) Rose pink, very large with excellent stem. A strong grower and free bloomer.	1.00	
ELITE GLORY (D) (Kennedy)  Red, mammoth size, very heavy stems, sturdy growth.	3.50	1.75
ELKRIDGE (D) (Griffiths)  Size medium to large on good stems. Petals thick and waxy in appearance having good keeping qualities. Growth good, centers fair.	2.50	
EMMA MARIE (H. C.) (Maytrott)  Color bright pink with white center. Size medium to large on good stems.	1.00	
ETHEL M. (H. C.)  Color lavender pink shading lighter at tips. Center white. Size medium to large. Form, center and stem good. Growth satisfactory.	1.00	
FLAME LICK (D) (Murphy)  Blooms large of good form carried on stiff stems.  Plant of medium height and vigorous. Color soft brilliant red.	5.00	
FORT MONMOUTH (H. C.) (Kemp)  Blooms very large and well formed, carried on long, stiff stems high above a strong bush. Color rich crimson maroon.	10.00	5.00

FORT WASHINGTON (D) (Reinfleisch) A very tall, strong grower producing extra large blooms with good centers carried on long, strong stems. Color dark maroon. Recommended for exhibition.	<b>TUBERS</b> 4.00	PLANTS 2.00
GALLI-CURCI (D) (Lyndora 1928) Strong semi-dwarf grower. Blooms large, unusually deep, carried facing on long sturdy stems. Center unusually high and well formed. Petals long, pointed and wavy. Color brilliant salmon orange with gold suffusion and an unusual amount of gold sheen or lustre. Awarded Certificate of Merit at Philadelphia in 1926 and again in 1927. At the 1927 New Jersey State Show at Atlantic City it was selected by Madame Galli-Curci to bear her name. Also won silver trophy at this Show. At Camden, 1927, Show, it was awarded a gold medal for best undisseminated seedling. Received Certificate of Merit at New Jersey State Trial Grounds. Highly recommended.	10.00	5.00
GERTRUD EDERLE (H. C.) (Bessie Boston) Color creamy yellow. Blooms medium to large on good stems. Petals long and straight.		3.75
GOLDEN EMBLEM (D) (White) Size large. Color clear golden yellow. Centers high, petals long and wavy. Desirable for cutting or exhibiting. Growth variable.	2.00	
GRANDOLA (D) (Brooma!!)  Brilliant orange. Size large. Form, center and stem good. Growth excellent. Highly recommended.	3.50	
GRENADIER (D) (Boston) Purplish maroon with silver reverse. Very large, good form, excellent stem, plant growth good.	2.00	
HARRY MAYER (D) (Seltsam Reed) A very sturdy grower of semi-dwarf habit. Blooms very large, well formed with good centers carried on strong stems. Color pale rosolane purple.	5.00	
HARRY SHELDON, JR. (D) (Murphy) Outer petals bright lavender pink, center creamy white. Large, good form, medium stem.	1.50	
IDA PERKINS (D) (Perkins) A large well formed clear white decorative, Growth stem and centers satisfactory. Awarded medal at Boston 1927.	7.50	3.75

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JACK O'LANTERN (D) (Reed) Bloom large. Color bright orange red shading to Dark Spanish red near center with center petals tipped with gold. Stems and growth satisfactory.	5.00	
JANE COWL (D) (Downs)  Deep massive blooms of bronzy buff and old gold, blending darker toward the perfect center. Broad petals, with just enough twist to add the refinement so often lacking in the largest Dahlias. A stem of unusual strength holds this giant decorative over a bush of ideal growth, while the foliage is the thick leathery kind that insects seldom bother. Miss Jane Cowl selected this variety at the A. D. S. Exhibition at New York to bear her name. Also awarded first prize for undisseminated seedling and the Garden and Home Builder sweepstake medals at New York. Awarded Certificate of Merit at Storrs Trial Gardens 1927. Highly recommended.	10.00	5.00
JEAN HARE (H. C.) (Fisher & Masson)  Color yellow shaded apricot buff. Blooms medium in size on good stems. Growth vigorous.	7.50	3,75
JERSEY'S BEACON (D) (Waite) Chinese scarlet with paler reverse, very large, stem good, growth vigorous.	1.25	
JERSEY'S BEAUTY (D) (Waite) Soft clear pink, medium to large, excellent stem, free bloomer and good keeper. Very popular.	.75	
JERSEY'S CAPRICE (D) (Waite) Light apricot buff, large, good form and stem.	2.50	
JERSEY'S EMPRESS (H. C.) (Waite) Purplish maroon, wavy petals, very large, stems medium to good, growth strong. Does not fade or burn.	2.50	
JERSEY'S GLORY (D) (Waite) (1929 Introduction) Color a blend of orange and yellow. Blooms large and well formed on long, strong stems. Growth vigorous.	10.00	5.00
JERSEY'S IDEAL (D) (Waite)  Dark lavender pink, very large with good form and center, free blooming, fine stems, strong grower.	2.50	
JERSEY'S JEWEL (D) (Waite) Color light lavender, large, form loose and attractive, stems good, growth variable.	1.50	
JERSEY'S MAMMOTH, (D) (Waite) Burnt orange, extra large (well grown flowers measure 12 to 14 inches in diameter). Growth strong making tall plants. Stem weak.	2.50	

JESSIE K. PRESCOTT (D) (Boston) Orange brown tinted cream, large; form, stem and growth good.	TUBERS 1.00	PLANTS
LADY LYNDORA (D) (Lyndora 1927) A charming new color combination, being a blend of pink and white. Every visitor at our gardens during the past season was tremendously impressed with the color of Lady Lyndora. Size large of distinct decorative type. A semi-dwarf grower and free bloomer. Needs heavy thinning and disbudding. Won Gold Medal as best undisseminated seedling at Camden 1926 (Dahlia Society of New Jersey Show). Certificate at New Jersey Trial Grounds.	5.00	2.50
LA RODA (D) (Broomall) Silver rose pink. Large well formed flowers on good stems. Centers high and full, growth satisfactory.		5.00
LUCKY STRIKE (H. C.) (Pelicano) A very large white with long narrow petals. Growt tall, stems medium.	<b>2.50</b>	
LYNDORA (D) (Lyndora)  Medium yellow with suffusion of amaranth pink on the reverse, large; form ideal having long wavy petals which show just enough of the pink in reverse to brighten and illuminate the entire flower, stem good, growth strong, producing tall robust bushes. Won Silver Medal, (Highest honors) for seedling at Philadelphia, 1925, and Gold Medal at New Jersey State Show 1925. Awarded Certifitificates of Merit at both American Dahlia Society and New Jersey Trial Grounds in 1925.	5.00	
MARGARET MASSON (D) (Fisher & Masson) Silvery lavender pink, very large, full form, excellent stems, strong grower.	1.50	
MARGARET W. WILSON (D) (Fisher & Masson) Plants dwarf, strong growing and free blooming, blooms very large with good stems, face of petals creamy white, reverse pink.	2.50	
MARMION (D) (Mastick) Growth very strong, blooms unusually large and deep. Stems long and strong, color golden yellow with bronze suffusion near the center. An outstanding novelty of 1926 and winner of many prizes.	2.50	
MARION BROOMALL (H. C.) (Broomall) Plants tall and vigorous. Blooms very large with excellent centers. Petals very long and narrow. Color a very attractive two tone combination of pink and white. Stems excellent. A bloom of this variety exhibited by us at Camden, 1927, wen best bloom in the Court of Honor.	2.50	1.25

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MARLEAU (D) (Broomall-Success)  Pinard yellow, shaded capucine orange, general effect being salmon buff. Large flowers on strong stems.	5.00	2.50
MAY TROWER (D) (Seal) Color gold, shaded apricot. Blooms large, deep and of irregular and unusual form. Stems long and rigid.	7.50	3.75
MISS CALIFORNIA (D) (Pelicano) Bushes tall and vigorous, blooms large, form medium, stems long and strong, color oriental fuchsia.	2.00	
MISS SAN FRANCISCO (D) (Pelicano) Color orchid and deep rose. Blooms large with good centers and stems. Growth good.	3.50	
MOORESTOWN MELODY (H. C.) (Lyndora 1927) A large heavy Cactus with long narrow petals, the type so much admired. Color is orange gold with tints of golden amber. Plants grow strong and produce blooms early and freely. Awarded Certificate of Merit at the American Dahlia Society Trial Grounds, Storrs, Conn.	2.50	
MORDELLA (D) (King) Apricot buff, large, good stem, plant very tall and strong.	1.50	
MR. E. LEEDHAM (D) (Bessie Boston) Orange scarlet. Blooms large with good centers and stems. Color does not fade or burn. Growth strong. The best of its color we have grown.	10.00	5.00
MRS. ELEANOR MARTIN (D) (Pelicano) Mulberry red, very large, good form, perfect stem, good grower, very satisfactory for exhibition or cutting.	2.00	
MRS. ELIZABETH GLENDINNING (D) (Lyndora 1926 Color decided oriental, being a pleasing blend of orange, tyrian rose and amaranth pink, size large, form good, full centered, stem excellent, growth satisfactory.	) 2.50	
MRS. FRANCES E. BULLARD (P) (Broomall) Growth strong, blooms very large, color pink and cream, stems medium to good.	2.00	
MY MARYLAND (H. C.) (Downs)  A beautiful hybrid-cactus of unusually delicate pink with the faintest suggestion of lavender. The petals twist in an attractive manner. The flower is large, carried on an excellent stem, plant tall of medium vigor. Awarded first prize in the undisseminated seedling class at the Atlantic City Show 1927, where it also won the Garden and Home Builder achievement medal. Also, first prize at A. D. S. Show in New York 1927 for the best undisseminated hybrid-cactus. Certificate of Merit A. D. S. at Storrs 1927.	10.00	5.00

NAGEL'S ROEM (H. C.) (Nagel)	TUBERS 2.00	PLANTS
Blooms medium to large on strong stems. Color mallow pink and amber. Petals narrow and twisted. Regires good soil and culture.	2.00	
NANCY SUE LANG (D) (Broomall)  Very large well formed flowers on excellent stems.  Color dull red tipped with gold. Considered much better than Mrs. E. L. Lindsay. Plants semi-dwarf strong growing. Requires good culture.	5.00	
ORANGE GOLD (H. C.) (Broomall)  Blooms of medium size carried on good stems, color rich orange yellow.	2.00	
POP STEWART (D) (Fisher & Masson) Lilac and lavender pink, large, excellent stem, dwarf, free bloomer.	1.50	
PRIDE OF STRATFORD (D) (M. & S.) Color, face deep orange, reverse madder brown, center petals slightly quilled. Blooms very large on good stems.	2.50	1.25
PRIMULA REX (D) (Broomall) Growth vigorous, blooms immense in size with great depth, carried well on good stems, color pale yellow.	3.00	
QUEEN OF THE GARDEN BEAUTIFUL (D) (Burns) A very strong vigorous grower above medium in height. Blooms unusually large, stems very strong. Color primrose yellow.	3.00	
REGAL (D) (Bessie Boston) A very large well formed decorative of a pleasing combination of bronze and dull old rose. Stems, centers and growth satisfactory. One of the best 1928 introductions.	20.00	10.00
ROBERT TREAT (D) (Mueller) American beauty rose color inclined to fade during hot weather. Blooms large and carried on good stems.	1.00	
ROMAN EAGLE (D) (Fisher & Masson) Blooms large, sometimes showing centers, color burnished copper, stems strong.	2.00	
ROSE FALLON (D) (Harding) Plants tall of medium vigor, stems long of medium strength, blooms large to very large, inclined to show open centers when fully developed, color deep old gold.	- 2.00	
ROSENA (D) (Lyndora 1927) This is a very large, well formed decorative, 9 to 10 inches in diameter when disbudded. Color spiral pink. Stem growth and blooming characters excellent. Received Certificate of Merit at the New Jersey State Society Trial Grounds.	1.50	

SAGAMORE (D) (Badetty)  Light apricot buff, medium size, good stem. A good grower and excellent bloomer. Flowers are highly prized for their color and keeping qualities.	TUBERS 1.00	PLANTS
SANHICAN'S MAGNATE (D) (Fisher & Masson)  Dwarf strong growing, blooms very large on good stems, color dull lavender face with claret reverse, free bloomer.	2.50	
SANTA ANNA (H. C.) (Pelicano)  Large, of excellent form. Petals long and curling.  Color salmon rose suffused with gold. Stems and growth satisfactory. Very pleasing in form and color.	2.50	
SILVERADO (H. C.) (Seal)  Blooms very large, petals long and tightly rolled.  Color white with soft lavender center. Stems.  medium, plant tall and vigorous.	4.00	
SISKIYOU (H.C.) (Broomall) Lavender pink, extremely large, strong stem. Has often won largest bloom in the shows.	1.50	
SNOW BOY (H. C.) (Lyndora 1927)  A pure white with excellent formation. Plant strong of medium height and an unusually free bloomer, petals well rolled, center high and well formed. Stem strong, carrying blooms well above the foliage. We highly recommend this variety believing it to be outstanding as a white hybrid-cactus. Especially valuable for commercial use or home decoration. Size of blooms 7 inches. Awarded Certificate of Merit at the New Jersey State Trial Grounds in 1926.	2,00	5
SOLE MIO (D) Strong, semi-dwarf grower, blooms very large and well formed borne on excellent stems. Color light yellow.	2.00	
STARLIGHT (H. C.) (Bessie Boston)  Color pure unshaded gold. Blooms large and well formed carried on fine stems.	15.00	7.50
THE BANDIT (D) (Reed) Growth upright, slender, blooms medium to large, rather thin, petals wary, color spectrum red reverse of old gold, stems good. Growth variable.	2.50	
THE GHOST (D) (Marshall) Color white, blooms large and well formed with excellent centers. Plants strong and tall. Stems long inclined to bend.	2.50	

THE LEMONADE (D) (Ward) Color pale lemon yellow. Blooms large to very large carried on excellent stems. Form full with good depth and center, vigorous grower. Excellent for exhibition, the best of its color.	TUBERS 3.50	PLANTS
TRENTONIAN (D) (Fisher & Masson) Brown copper bronze, very large, excellent stem, growth strong and tall.	1.00	
UNCLE REMUS (D) (Broomall) Strong semi-dwarf grower, blooms large with full centers. Stems strong, plant vigorous. Color, rosy purple.	2.50	
VALENTINO (D) (Bessie Boston) Color salmon pink shading to cream at center. Size medium to large. Stems and centers good.		5.00
VIOLET WONDER (D) (Kemp)  Color rich deep violet. Blooms large with good stems and centers.	10.00	5.00
WALDHEIM SUNSHINE (D) (Peacock) Color, a true deep yellow with darker shading that improves under artificial light. A rich golden suffusion brightens its full high center. Form very attractive, having long, wavy petals. Size extra large. Said by originator to grow 12 inches in diameter. Stems long and sturdy holding flowers facing. Free bloomer and strong grower. Centers hold until frost.	15.00	7.50
WATCHUNG SUNRISE (D) (Smith) Strong healthy plant carrying its large, well formed blooms of gold with pink suffusion, far above the foliage. A profuse and early bloomer. Stems unusually good. Centers high and well formed.	7.50	3,75
WHITE WINGS (D) (M'Whiriter) Color clear white. Size large on good stems, growth good.	2.50	,
YANKEE KING (D) (Wood) A 1928 introduction from N. E. Color coppery rose and old gold. Blooms large and well formed on very long rigid stems. Bushes large and vigorous. Won A. D. S. Certificate of Merit 1927.	7.50	3.75
ZANTE (H. C.) (Boston) Gold suffused with apricot pink, large, excellent stem, growth good.	2.50	



